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<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</b>			
<b>NOTICE OF APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)</b>		Docket Number: <b>22750/525</b>	Confirmation No. <b>7026</b>
Application Number <b>10/074,404</b>	Filing Date <b>February 12, 2002</b>	Examiner <b>Cheryl Ann JUSKA</b>	Art Unit <b>1771</b>
Invention Title <b>TUFTED BACKING AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME</b>		Inventor(s) <b>Rudolf GAERTNER et al.</b>	

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner made in the Final Office Action dated September 22, 2004 finally rejecting claims 11-33.


Applicants also respectfully request a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action for which a response period expiring on December 22, 2004 was set. The extended period now expires on February 22, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 Notice of Appeal fee of **\$500.00** and the 37 CFR §1.136(a) extension fee of **\$450.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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